

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of K.C., C.M., C.G., and K.C.,
Minors.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

KIMBERLY A. GRIFFIN,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

RONALD CRITTENDON and RONNELL
MOORE,

Respondents.

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No. 289765

Macomb Circuit Court

Family Division

LC Nos. 2007-000316-NA;

2007-000317-NA;

2007-000318-NA;

2008-000386-NA

Before: Cavanagh, P.J., and Markey and Davis, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent Kimberly Griffin appeals as of right from the trial court's order terminating her parental rights to the minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i) and (g).¹ We affirm.

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that §§ 19b(3)(c)(i) and (g) were established by clear and convincing evidence. See MCR 3.977(J); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 351; 612

¹ Respondent asserts that the trial court also terminated her parental rights under §§ 19b(3)(c)(ii) and (j). Although termination was requested under these additional subsections, the trial court did not explicitly refer to them in its decision and it is unclear whether the court relied on them as additional bases for termination. Because we conclude that termination was proper under §§ 19b(3)(c)(i) and (g), it is unnecessary to consider §§ 19b(3)(c)(ii) and (j). See *In re Powers Minors*, 244 Mich App 111, 118; 624 NW2d 472 (2000).

NW2d 407 (2000); *In re Sours*, 459 Mich 624, 633; 593 NW2d 520 (1999). Although respondent loved her children, her intellectual limitations prevented her from properly caring for them. She received services for more than two years, but failed to benefit from the services. She continued to exercise poor judgment, was unable to follow recommendations and instructions, and failed to demonstrate that she could effectively parent her children.

Further, considering respondent's poor prognosis, the children's negative behavior after visits, and the children's need for stability and emotional security, the trial court did not clearly err in finding that termination of respondent's parental rights was in the children's best interests. See MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, *supra* at 356-357. Thus, the trial court did not err in terminating respondent's parental rights to the children.

Affirmed.

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh

/s/ Jane E. Markey

/s/ Alton T. Davis